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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Takashi MIWA et al.

Appln. No.: 10/606,891

Group Art Unit: 2824

Filed: June 27, 2003

Examiner: A. Tran

For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Responding to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2004, and to the requirements for election therein, Applicants elect Group I (Claims 1-12).

Applicants believe that Claim 1 is generic to all of the species and is allowable. For completeness of response, Applicants elect Species A (Figs. 1-3) upon which Claims 1-10 are readable.

An action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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